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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 32, with the following rewritten paragraph. Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, this paragraph is also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate changes made.

The Figure illustrates an alignment of the aromatic motifs within the first and second C1q domains of zacrp4. C1q1 corresponds to amino acid residues 50-134 of SEQ ID NO:2, and C1q2 corresponds to amino acid residues 203-286 of SEQ ID NO:2. The aromatic motif within the first C1q domain (C1q1) is from amino acid residue 50 to amino acid residue 80 of SEQ ID NO:2. The aromatic motif within the second C1q

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